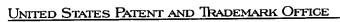


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PART III: REASONS FOR REJECTIONS AND OBJECTIONS

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 USC 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 7, 8 and 11-13 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Green et al.

Claims 1-6, 9, 10 and 14 are allowable over the prior art of record.

The following is am Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance: Claims 1-6, -9, 10 and 14 are allowable over the prior art of record because the prior art does not show or teach using a mobile wireless device to receive a proposed offer from a merchant, then transmitting that offer to a second merchant. The closest prior art is the US patent to Green et al which shows receiving price information (proposed offers) from multiple merchants, however these prices are not sent to other merchants.

The drawings filed March 7, 2002, are discolored and are not acceptable.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kenneth Rice at (703) 308-3495. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist at (703) 308-1113.

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